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Honorable Richard M. Berman United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

Re: <u>United States v. Prince Wareham</u> 22 Cr. 64 (RMB)

SO ORDERED: Date: 8/3/22	Richard N. Berman
	Richard M. Rerman, H.S.D.I.

Dear Judge Berman,

We write to request that the Federal Defenders of New York be relieved as defense counsel in the above-captioned case, and that CJA Panel Attorney Michael Bradley, Esq. be appointed to represent Mr. Wareham.

Following the Supreme Court's recent decision in <u>United States v. Taylor</u>, 142 S. Ct. 2015 (2022), which held that attempted Hobbs Act robbery is not a § 924(c) "crime of violence," the Second Circuit vacated Judge Keenan's denial of Mr. Wareham's pending petition pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255 on an old criminal case. <u>See</u> 11 Cr. 912 (JFK), 16 Cv. 4700 (JFK). As such, we anticipate that the government and Mr. Wareham will be negotiating a new disposition and sentencing in that matter. We also discovered that Federal Defenders has a conflict on that case because we previously represented a victim in that criminal case. Due to that conflict, Judge Keenan just appointed CJA Attorney Michael Bradley to represent Mr. Wareham. <u>See</u> 16 Cv. 4700 (JFK), Dkt. No. 17.

Given these developments, we believe that Mr. Wareham's interests are best served by having one conflict-free attorney represent him on both of his criminal cases that are now pending in this District. I have spoken to Attorney Bradley, who is prepared to be appointed in the instant matter. I have also spoken to the Government by A.U.S.A. Maggie Lynaugh, who consents to this application.

Respectfully submitted, /s/ Sylvie Levine Assistant Federal Defender

cc: A.U.S.A. Maggie Lynaugh Michael Bradley, Esq. (by email)

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